

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this case as amended is requested. By this amendment Applicant has amended claim 1. Claims 1-8 and 10-13 remain in the case.

The Board states that there is no evidence of record that the word "status ribbon" in the specification and claim 1 had any special meaning to the artisan at the time of disclosure, nor did it find any particular definition of the word in the specification. Therefore Applicant has amended claim 1 to define "status ribbon" as being "... in the form of a bar having a length and a width less than the length, the bar being subdivided into a plurality of adjacent stripes across the width, each stripe representing ..." as specifically shown in Fig. 1. Applicant submits that Yokoyama does not have a bar that is subdivided into a plurality of stripes, but rather has a plurality of bars. This language defines the status ribbon where the stripes are of the same dimension ("across the width") and abut each other ("adjacent stripes"), which language the Board found lacking as it equated bar length to the claimed trait. Thus as amended claim 1 and all other claims dependent therefrom are deemed to be allowable as being neither anticipated nor rendered obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art by Yokoyama.

In view of the foregoing amendment and remarks allowance of claims 1-8 and 10-13 is urged, and such action and the issuance of this case are requested.

Amended Claims

Claim 1. (Currently Amended) A display of signal characteristics for multiple channels/codes within a region of interest comprising a status ribbon in the form of a bar having a length and a width less than the length, the bar being subdivided into a plurality of adjacent stripes across the width ~~having a plurality of stripes~~, each stripe representing at least one channel/code within the region of interest and having a trait representative of a value for the at least one channel/code.

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Claim 2. (Original) The display of claim 1 wherein the trait represents a measured value for a signal parameter of the at least one channel where the region of interest is a frequency range having multiple channels.

Claim 3. (Original) The display of claim 1 wherein the trait represents a condition for a signal parameter of the at least one channel where the region of interest is a frequency range having multiple channels.

Claim 4. (Original) The display of claim 3 wherein the condition is selected from the group consisting of pass and fail.

Claim 5. (Original) The display of claim 3 wherein the condition is selected from the group consisting of pass, caution and fail.

Claim 6. (Original) The display of claim 1 wherein the trait is color.

Claim 7. (Original) The display of claim 1 wherein the trait is brightness.

Claim 8. (Original) The display of claim 1 further comprising a draggable window encompassing a subset of the channels for which additional detail is desired where the region of interest is a frequency range having multiple channels.

Claim 9. (Canceled)

Claim 10. (Original) The display of claim 1 wherein the trait represents activity for the at least one code where the region of interest is a digital communications radio frequency channel.

Claim 11. (Original) The display of claim 1 wherein the trait represents a parameter for the at least one code where the region of interest is a digital communications radio frequency channel.

Claim 12. (Original) The display of claim 1 further comprising a draggable window encompassing a subset of codes for which additional detail is desired where the region of interest is a digital communications radio frequency channel.

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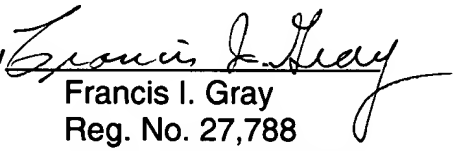
Claim 13. (Original) The display of claim 12 further comprising a subsidiary window having a plurality of stripes representing the subset of codes, each stripe representing a single one of the subset of codes and having the trait representative of the value for the single one of the subset of codes.

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